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Mr. James McCann
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Regulatory Compliance Section
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Minnesota Pollution Control Agency
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RE: Air Emission Facility Permit (Permit No. 1176-91-OT-3) (Our File No. 9142.3-1)

Dear Mr. McCann:

In our telephone conversation yesterday afternoon, you requested a copy of the letter from Interplastic Corporation ("Interplastic") to the Minnesota Pollution Control Agency ("MPCA") in which we formally requested the MPCA's consent to tie in our R & D pilot plant to the thermal oxidizer. Enclosed herewith is a copy of that letter dated March 24, 1992.

Our letter followed up a telephone call to the MPCA during which we first asked for this consent. Therefore, in actuality, Interplastic has been waiting nearly three months for this so-called "pronto permit." Regrettably, despite several follow-up requests, we are still waiting for the MPCA to act.

The MPCA informed Interplastic that there should be no problem with our request. Therefore, to expedite the tie-in of the pilot plant — which everyone agrees will benefit the environment — we placed the pipes in position so that they can be connected as soon as your consent arrives.

None of these pipes has been connected to the thermal oxidizer. No connections have been made to the pilot plant. We basically have little more than unconnected conduit with both ends open. In other words, there is no construction of any kind by Interplastic which affects air emissions at the plant in any way.

Under the circumstances, I have difficulty understanding why the MPCA would want to penalize Interplastic for its actions. Please reconsider your recommendation that Interplastic be issued a Notice of Violation.

Sincerely yours,

Ivan M. Levy, Esq.

IML/mrg Enclosure

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